



Greetings to all my dear friends in District 6.

Let my first words to you be of sincere and deep appreciation for your support for my candidacy for Commissioner. I am truly honored that you have entrusted me with your representation, and in this newsletter I wish to share with you some of our accomplishments during the first 5 months of my tenure.

*In order to implement my Open Door policy, a philosophy that has guided my public service over the last 10 years, we now have a new **District Office** – a first in our district – **located at 6429 S.W. 8th Street**. This new office is in addition to our office at the Metro Dade County Building. It is my privilege to serve you as your Commissioner, and I invite you to contact me or my staff at either of those offices, truly your offices, with any questions, concerns or suggestions that you may have.*

After the terrorist attacks of September 11, our nation is facing very difficult and challenging times; let there be no doubt that we will overcome this test. Your well-being and security are paramount in my mind. As we traverse these uncharted waters, it is imperative that we not lose sight of those who continue to be in need of our protection, our senior citizens and children, and take necessary steps to provide for them even in times of budgetary constraints. Similarly, we must be creative and tireless in our efforts to protect the industries and workers in our community that have been adversely impacted by the terrorist attacks. We must ensure that available federal, state and local assistance reaches them.

Once again, my sincere thanks to you for the opportunity to serve as your Commissioner. And as we close the year, we look to the future with hope and confidence in our country and ourselves. May the spirit of Hanukah and Christmas, the most wonderful season of the year, fill your hearts and homes, bringing much health, happiness, and above all, peace in our world.

With warmest regards,

Rebeca
Rebeca Sosa



Accessibility and Communication

During her tenure as Mayor of West Miami for over seven years, Rebeca Sosa strongly believed that all City officials should keep an open line of communication with the citizens. Her philosophy ushered a government that could determine efficiently the needs of the community and expedite effectively the required solutions consistent with the expectations of our residents.

As your Commissioner, one of Rebeca Sosa's top priorities has been to provide for a more open and responsive County government. Her office's efforts are focused on this goal: to ensure that County government recognize and address the many needs of our District. In furtherance of that goal, Commissioner Sosa established a much-needed District office, located at 6429 SW 8 Street. The Commissioner and her staff are available to meet with the residents of District 6 in an effort to better understand and address the many issues confronting the community.

Commissioner Sosa also has reached out to the many homeowners associations represented in our community in an effort to enhance their communication with our County Government. She has visited them and discussed problems related to flooding, crime, services and public works, issues that are of great concern in these communities. One example of her commitment to the homeowners associations is the Little Gables' request for the paving of a road that simply had been overlooked by the county for many years. Because of Commissioner Sosa's efforts, the groundbreaking ceremony for this project will be held next month, in January 2002. The residents of Little Gables finally can count on a Commissioner that listens and gets results. Commissioner Sosa and her staff have met with the homeowners and assured them that the County's administration is available to identify and propose immediate and long-term solutions to their many concerns.

Our work has just begun. Commissioner Sosa stands ready and able to work on your behalf. The foundation has been laid. Let's continue to build a better future together.



Budget Allocation

To better understand the needs of the municipalities in District 6, Commissioner Sosa has already organized a Mayoral Monthly Update. At this first meeting, Commissioner Sosa was briefed on the various improvement projects on which the cities have been working and for which they need financial assistance. Some of the proposed projects include resurfacing of roads, construction of pedestrian ramps for the disabled, funding for senior center activities, and replacement of missing or faded traffic signs. These are all part of Commissioner Sosa's \$1,500,000 dollar budget priority list for fiscal year 2001-2002.



*Inauguration of a new County Bus Route
in Commissioner Sosa's district.*

Listed below is an outline of the projects on which your city is working:

City of Miami Springs:

The resurfacing of North and South Poinciana Boulevard, from LeJune Road to North West 74th Street, Curtis Parkway from North West 36th Street to the Circle

Construction of pedestrian ramps along Curtis Parkway and the Circle.

City of Hialeah:

Restoration of road and rights-of-way of streets surrounding the Preston Water Treatment Plants in Hialeah.

City of West Miami:

Request that the Fairlawn Branch of the Miami-Dade Public Library System, located at 6869 SW 8th Street, be relocated to the City of West Miami, or within District 6's boundaries.

District Wide:

\$200,000 for replacement of missing and faded traffic signs, with specific emphasis in the areas of East Hialeah, Flagami, South and West Miami.

\$350,000 for resurfacing of County-maintained roads within municipal limits.

\$100,000 for construction of ADA compliant pedestrian ramps.

\$250,000 for construction of signal upgrades and traffic operational improvements along arterial and municipal corridors.

These projects are an example of what can be accomplished when communities and our county work together to find solutions. Commissioner Sosa will continue to further this relationship in order to assist each city and meet the needs of District 6.

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Miami-Dade Housing.....	(305) 644-5100
Miami-Dade Transit.....	(305) 770-3131
Parking Violations.....	(305) 275-1133
School Board.....	(305) 995-1000
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